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Exhaust-gas purification system of engine, has carbon-dioxide absorber, catalyst which generates hydrogen by shift reaction of water vapor and carbon monoxide, and nitrogen-oxide catalyst, which are

arranged in engine exhaust path

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BASIC-ABSTRACT:

NOVELTY - A <u>carbon-dioxide absorber</u>, a hydrogen generation catalyst which generates hydrogen by shift reaction of water vapor and carbon monoxide, and a

nitrogen-oxide (NOX) catalyst are arranged in <u>engine</u> exhaust path. A measurement unit measures temperature of the absorber and the catalysts. The (NOX) catalyst adsorbs NOX from <u>exhaust gas</u>, during lean state, and reduces NOX during rich state.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION - A reducing-agent supply unit intermittently increases the reducing-agent concentration in the exhaust gas. A temperature increasing unit is provided to increase the exhaust-gas temperature. The carbon-dioxide absorber is arranged at the upstream side of the hydrogen generation catalyst. The hydrogen generation catalyst is arranged such that its temperature becomes 30 deg. C or more than that of the nitrogen-oxide catalyst. The engine speed is increased after a fixed-distance travel of the motor vehicle in which the engine is arranged, to increase the exhaust-gas temperature. The carbon-dioxide absorber discharges carbon dioxide when engine temperature is increased. The **engine** temperature is increased by 50 deg. C or more than the temperature at which carbon dioxide is discharged by the absorber. Temperature of the absorber and the NOX catalyst is set to 700-800 deg. C and 600-750 deg. C, respectively. The absorber discharges carbon dioxide at 700 deg. C or more. The free energy of formation of the reaction of the oxide of alkali metal and/or alkaline earth metal in the nitrogen-oxide catalyst, at 300 deg. C is smaller than that of the oxide of alkali metal and/or alkaline earth metal in the hydrogen generation catalyst. The ratio of the amount of oxide, nitrate, or carbonate present in the NOX catalyst with that in the carbon-dioxide absorber, is 1:4 or more.

USE - For purifying exhaust gas of internal combustion engine of motor vehicle.

ADVANTAGE - Enables generating hydrogen also in a low-temperature area by arranging the hydrogen generation catalyst near the <u>carbon-dioxide absorber</u>. Enables simultaneously regenerating the nitrogen-oxide catalyst during the discharge of the <u>carbon dioxide from the carbon-dioxide absorber</u>. Reduces the usage amount of noble metals in the system.

DESCRIPTION OF DRAWING(S) - The figure shows a schematic view of the <u>exhaust-gas</u> purification system. (Drawing includes non-English language text).

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DRAWING:

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WATER VAPOUR CARBON NITROGEN OXIDE CATALYST

ARRANGE ENGINE EXHAUST PATH

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CLAIMS

[Claim(s)]

[Claim 1]

It has a means to measure the temperature of the internal combustion engine which operates under a hyperoxia ambient atmosphere, CO2 absorber, H2 generation catalyst and the NOx catalyst arranged in this internal combustion engine's exhaust gas passage, these CO2 absorber and H2 generation catalyst, and an NOx catalyst, the reduction component increase means which can increase the reduction constituent concentration in exhaust gas intermittently, and the means which raises exhaust gas temperature,

It is the exhaust gas purification system characterized by for the above-mentioned H2 generation catalyst generating hydrogen by the gas water gas shift reaction from a steam and a carbon monoxide, and for the above-mentioned NOx catalyst adsorbing NOx in the exhaust gas discharged by this internal combustion engine at the time of Lean, and carrying out reduction purification at the time of rich. [Claim 2]

The exhaust gas purification system according to claim 1 characterized by arranging the above-mentioned H2 generation catalyst so that it may become temperature higher 30 degrees C or more than the above-mentioned NOx catalyst, arranging the CO2 above-mentioned absorber in the upstream from the same part as the above-mentioned H2 generation catalyst, or this H2 generation catalyst, and changing.

[Claim 3]

The exhaust gas purification system according to claim 1 or 2 characterized by arranging the CO2 above-mentioned absorber in the same part as this H2 generation catalyst, and making the upstream into high concentration.

[Claim 4]

An exhaust gas purification system given in any one term of claims 1-3 characterized by raising an engine speed after fixed distance transit as a means which the above-mentioned internal combustion engine is car motor, and raises the above-mentioned exhaust gas temperature.

[Claim 5]

An exhaust gas purification system given in any one term of claims 1-4 to which the exhaust gas by which the temperature up was carried out with the means which raises the above-mentioned exhaust gas temperature is characterized by making CO2 emit from the CO2 above-mentioned absorber.

[Claim 6]

An exhaust gas purification system given in any one term of claims 1-5 characterized by being under temperature with the exhaust gas higher 50 degrees C than beyond the temperature to which CO2 absorber emits CO2, and its temperature by which the temperature up was carried out with the means which raises the above-mentioned exhaust gas temperature.

[Claim 7]

An exhaust gas purification system given in any one term of claims 1-6 characterized by making temperature of the CO2 above-mentioned absorber into 700 degrees C or more less than 800 degrees C,

and making temperature of an NOx catalyst into 600 degrees C or more less than 750 degrees C. [Claim 8]

An exhaust gas purification system given in any one term of claims 1-7 characterized by using what emits CO2 above 700 degrees C as the CO2 above-mentioned absorber. [Claim 9]

An exhaust gas purification system given in any one term of claims 1-8 to which the above-mentioned H2 generation catalyst is characterized by being the oxide, carbonate, or nitrate containing at least one sort of elements chosen from the group to which the CO2 above-mentioned absorber changes from alkali metal and alkaline earth metal including platinum and a cerium oxide.

[Claim 10]

The exhaust gas purification system according to claim 9 characterized by for the above-mentioned alkali oxide being a multiple oxide with a zirconium, and the above-mentioned alkali carbonate being a compound carbonate with a zirconium.

[Claim 11]

The exhaust gas purification system according to claim 9 or 10 by which the CO2 above-mentioned absorber is characterized by including platinum further.

[Claim 12]

An exhaust gas purification system given in any one term of claims 1-11 to which the CO2 abovementioned absorber is characterized by containing 200g or more per catalyst [Claim 13]

The above-mentioned NOx catalyst changes including the oxide, carbonate, or nitrate containing at least one sort of elements chosen from the group which consists of platinum and/or a rhodium, a cerium oxide, and alkali metal and alkaline earth metal,

An exhaust gas purification system given in any one term of claims 1-12 characterized by free-energy-of-formation deltaG of the reaction of the oxide of the this alkali metal and/or alkaline earth metal in 300 degrees C and CO2 being smaller than the deltaG concerned of the oxide of the alkali metal contained in H2 generation catalyst, and/or alkaline earth metal.

[Claim 14]

The exhaust gas purification system according to claim 13 characterized by the ratio of the amount of at least one sort of oxides, carbonate or nitrate chosen from the group which consists of the alkali metal and alkaline earth metal which are contained in the above-mentioned NOx catalyst, and CO2 absorber being 1:4 or more.

[Claim 15]

An exhaust gas purification system given in any one term of claims 1-14 by which it is characterized [which are characterized by the above-mentioned NOx catalyst containing a zeolite]. [Claim 16]

An exhaust gas purification system given in any one term of claims 1-15 to which the CO2 above-mentioned absorber is characterized by an NOx catalyst containing barium including a lithium.

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DETAILED DESCRIPTION

[Detailed Description of the Invention]

[Field of the Invention]

[0001]

This invention relates to an exhaust gas purification system, and relates to the exhaust gas purification system which reproduces the NOx catalyst which adsorbed and purified NOx contained in the exhaust gas of the internal combustion engine which operates under a hyperoxia ambient atmosphere (under lean atmosphere) in the low-temperature region (200-250 degrees C), and was further made into the detail S poisoning by the pyrosphere (600-650 degrees C).

[Background of the Invention]

[0002]

NOx is adsorbed in the Lean region and the catalyst which is made to emit NOx at the time of SUTOIKI - rich, and is purified is known so that it may be represented by the catalyst which various catalysts which purify NOx of the Lean region from the former are proposed, for example, supported platinum (Pt) and a lanthanum (La) to porosity support (for example, patent reference 1 reference).

[Patent reference 1] JP,5-168860,A

[Description of the Invention]

[Problem(s) to be Solved by the Invention]

[00031

By the lean burn engine or the diesel power plant, NOx has so far been purified using an NOx adsorption catalyst. This NOx adsorption catalyst is the following I - Ha.

- b. The function to adsorb NOx
- b. The function desorbed from NOx to which it stuck
- c. The function which purifies NOx from which it was desorbed

NOx is purified using ******. Desorption and purification of NOx might not take place among these functions in a low-temperature region (250 degrees C or less).

As an approach of fully ****ing and on the other hand, purifying NOx in such a low-temperature region, use of hydrogen is effective. CO which exists in exhaust gas is specifically used, and hydrogen can be generated using a reaction called CO+H2 O->H2+CO2.

However, in recent years, since engine combustion efficiency increased for low-fuel-consumption-izing, low emission temperature-ization progressed and CO2 was contained in large quantities in exhaust gas, there was a trouble that a reaction could not progress easily.

[0004]

The place which this invention is made in view of the technical problem which such a conventional technique has, and is made into the purpose is to offer the exhaust gas purification system which has the NOx decontamination capacity excellent also in the low-temperature region 250 degrees C or less. [Means for Solving the Problem]

[0005]

this invention persons came to complete a header and this invention for the above-mentioned technical

problem being solvable by arranging CO2 absorber with H2 generation catalyst, as a result of repeating examination wholeheartedly that the above-mentioned technical problem should be solved.

[Effect of the Invention]

[0006]

According to this invention, H2 generation reaction comes to advance also in a low-temperature region by making H2 generation catalyst intermingled or arranging CO2 absorber to near.

Moreover, this CO2 absorber does not emit CO2, unless it will make it an elevated temperature, once it absorbs CO2. Therefore, although it is made an elevated temperature and CO2 is made to emit, playback of an NOx catalyst by which poisoning was carried out with the sulfur in exhaust gas at this time can also be performed to coincidence.

Furthermore, sulfur poisoning is canceled by easy and twist low temperature by using emitted CO2 for re-carbonation of the NOx adsorption component in an NOx catalyst. Thereby, thermal resistance improves and the amount of use noble metals can be reduced.

[Best Mode of Carrying Out the Invention]

[0007]

Hereafter, the exhaust gas purification system of this invention is explained to a detail. In addition, in this specification,"%", unless it mentions specially, mass percentage is shown. [0008]

The exhaust-gas purification system of this invention is equipped with a means measure the temperature of the internal combustion engine which operates under a hyperoxia ambient atmosphere, CO2 absorber, H2 generation catalyst and the NOx catalyst arranged in this internal combustion engine's exhaust gas passage, these CO2 absorber and H2 generation catalyst, and an NOx catalyst, the reduction component increase means which can increase the reduction constituent concentration in exhaust gas intermittently, and the means which raises exhaust gas temperature, and changes.

Thus, by arranging CO2 absorber, H2 is supplied to an NOx catalyst from H2 generation catalyst, and desorption / purification reaction of NOx advances effectively also in a low-temperature region 250 degrees C or less. Moreover, an NOx catalyst is easily reproducible by CO2 from H2 and CO2 absorber from H2 generation catalyst in the case of sulfur poisoning discharge. [0009]

Here, the above-mentioned NOx catalyst adsorbs NOx in the exhaust gas discharged by the internal combustion engine by lean atmosphere, and purifies Adsorption NOx by making it rich intermittently. In order to make it rich intermittently, it is possible to change engine operational status, to supply reduction components (H2, CO, HC, etc.) directly, etc. For this reason, the means which raises a reduction component increase means and exhaust gas temperature is arranged, and it is intermittently made rich. In addition, the method of changing engine operational status especially is desirable, and cost can be reduced, without needing excessive equipment.

Moreover, there is also a trouble of receiving sulfur poisoning (S poisoning) in the above-mentioned NOx catalyst. Since this S poisoning is poisoning temporarily, if it is made an elevated temperature, it can cancel, but if it puts to an elevated temperature not much, endurance will tend to fall.

If Ba which is a typical NOx catalyst is taken for an example, S poisoning abreaction is expressed with BaSO4+H2+HC->BaCO3+SO2. As shown also in this formula, a sulfuric acid falls out from Ba and the function as an NOx absorber carries out re-activity because carbonic acid enters. Here, if CO2 is emitted H2 generation catalyst generating hydrogen, S poisoning abreaction will progress at lower temperature. [0010]

As the above-mentioned NOx catalyst, what changes including platinum, a rhodium or both sides, a cerium oxide, alkali metal or alkaline earth metal and the oxide containing the thing concerning the combination of such arbitration, a carbonate, or a nitrate can be used suitably, for example. Moreover, it is suitable for this alkali metal or alkaline earth metal that free-energy-of-formation deltaG of the reaction of those oxides and COs2 in 250 degrees C is smaller than the deltaG concerned of the oxide of the alkali metal contained in H2 generation catalyst or alkaline earth metal. Since CO2 is emitted at lower temperature at this time and S poisoning discharge is also performed at low

temperature, heat-resistant ability improves.

Here, when free-energy-of-formation deltaG shows deltaG of a reaction called A2 O+CO2 ->A2CO3 when alkali metal is set to A, and alkaline earth metal is set to B, it shows deltaG of a reaction called BO+CO2 ->BCO3. By making deltaG concerning H2 generation catalyst small, CO2 becomes that it is easy to be absorbed in the direction of an NOx catalyst. In case the thing this relation of whose is the need emits CO2 from H2 generation catalyst at the time of S poisoning discharge, it is for an NOx catalyst's absorbing a thing with the sufficient one as much as possible where temperature is lower, and CO2 emitted at that temperature, and emitting S. [0011]

Moreover, as the above-mentioned internal combustion engine, a lean burn engine, a diesel power plant, etc. are mentioned, for example. Especially when it is car motor, with the means which raises the above-mentioned exhaust gas temperature, after fixed distance transit, an engine speed can be raised and sulfur poisoning discharge can be performed. In this case, since operability is not spoiled but an emission temperature is raised effectively, it is effective. When the sulfur concentration in a gasoline is 50 ppm, about 1 time is [that what is necessary is just a time of the catalyst engine performance not exceeding a regulation value] sufficient for the timing of this sulfur poisoning discharge. [1000] As for an engine speed, it is more desirable than an engine speed in case close [of temperature up control] is not to carry out 200-800rpm extent increase. In addition, when sulfur poisoning discharge is performed frequently, there is a possibility of spoiling operability.

Furthermore, the above-mentioned internal combustion engine is usually operated under a hyperoxia ambient atmosphere (Lean region), and the exhaust gas temperature at the time of this usual operation is 200 degrees C - 250 degrees C. In this temperature region, although the adsorption reaction of NOx advances, the reaction which ****s and purifies NOx to which it stuck does not progress well. Then, it is effective to arrange H2 generation catalyst. The above-mentioned H2 generation catalyst generates H2 by the gas water gas shift reaction from H2O contained in the exhaust gas at the time of rich, and CO, and can supply H2 [effective] as reduction material which purifies Adsorption NOx to an NOx catalyst.

Furthermore, since, as for the latest efficient engine, an emission temperature tends to fall, the effect of CO2 is larger still again. So, in this invention, temperature (300 degrees C or more) required for H2 generation catalyst to fully generate hydrogen falls to about 280 degrees C by using CO2 absorber together with the above-mentioned H2 generation catalyst. From this, H2 generation catalyst can arrange 280 degrees C or more and an NOx catalyst so that it may become 200 degrees C - 250 degrees C. In addition, unless it uses CO2 absorber, a gas water gas shift reaction does not progress easily by no less than about 10 - 14% of CO2 contained in exhaust gas. Moreover, reduction of CO2 amount in exhaust gas shows the data with which the amount of H2 generation increases to drawing 3. [0012]

As the above-mentioned H2 generation catalyst, what contains platinum (Pt) and a cerium oxide, for example is suitable. In order to generate H2, adsorption of H2O must be caused on a catalyst front face, CeO2 is effective in it, and Pt is effective in a reaction with CO.

Moreover, as the CO2 above-mentioned absorber, alkali metal or alkaline earth metal and the oxide containing the thing concerning the combination of such arbitration, a carbonate, or a nitrate can be used suitably, for example. Furthermore, it is desirable that the above-mentioned alkali oxide (oxide of this alkali metal or alkaline earth metal) and an alkali carbonate are compound carbonates with Zr. Zr functions as a stabilizer of alkali.

Furthermore, as for CO2 absorber, it is desirable that Pt is included further. Since Pt desorbs S adhering to CO2 absorber, CO2 absorberity ability can be demonstrated over a long period of time. Furthermore, CO2 absorber is good to contain 200g or more per catalyst again. In order to continue absorbing CO2 over a long period of time, a lot of CO2 absorbers are needed. [0013]

Moreover, the above-mentioned H2 generation catalyst can be arranged so that it may become temperature higher 30 degrees C or more than the above-mentioned NOx catalyst. As for the CO2

above-mentioned absorber, at this time, arranging in the upstream is more desirable than the same part as H2 generation catalyst, or this H2 generation catalyst. From this, H2 generation fully takes place and, thereby, NOx purification engine performance's improves. Moreover, degradation by durability can also be controlled. For example, as shown in <u>drawing 1</u> and <u>drawing 2</u>, it can arrange. Moreover, the above-mentioned temperature control may control the rate of flow of changing the configuration of exhaust gas passage suitably, or exhaust gas, and the residence time, and may perform them. In addition, if priority is given to reaction effectiveness and H2 generation catalyst and an NOx catalyst are arranged in the elevated-temperature section, in order for degradation of a catalyst to advance early and to control this, a lot of noble metals must be used, and it is not desirable in respect of a resource or cost.

Furthermore, when arranging the CO2 above-mentioned absorber in the same part as this H2 generation catalyst, it is desirable that the upstream makes this CO2 absorber high concentration. From this, many COs2 are absorbed in H2 generation catalyst preceding paragraph, H2 generation ability of H2 generation catalyst of the downstream increases, and the NOx purification engine performance tends to improve.

[0014]

The means which raises the above-mentioned exhaust gas temperature may make CO2 emit from CO2 absorber with the exhaust gas which carried out the temperature up. That is, CO2 absorber and H2 generation catalyst are heated by hot exhaust gas, and S poisoning discharge temperature can be fallen by emitting CO2 to H2 generation and coincidence as elevated-temperature gas.

For example, what is necessary is just to heat at 620-650 degrees C by this invention, in order to use CO2 absorber together although it is necessary to heat to 700 degrees C for S poisoning removal only with H2 generation catalyst. As for the exhaust gas which carried out the temperature up, at this time, it is desirable that it is under temperature (less than 670-700 degrees C) higher 50 degrees C than beyond the temperature to which CO2 absorber emits CO2, and its temperature. It is because the catalyst engine performance will tend to deteriorate if an emission temperature is too high.

Moreover, in order to fully perform S desorption of the CO2 emission from CO2 absorber, or an NOx catalyst, the CO2 above-mentioned absorber is made into 700 degrees C or more less than 800 degrees C, and, as for an NOx catalyst, it is desirable to consider as 600 degrees C or more less than 750 degrees C. In addition, if exhaust gas temperature is too high, it will be easy to reduce the catalyst engine performance.

Furthermore, it is desirable to use what emits CO2 above 700 degrees C as the CO2 above-mentioned absorber. For example, Li2ZrO3 etc. is mentioned.

Control of this exhaust gas temperature can be performed by interlocking the thermometry means established on each catalyst inlet port or exhaust gas passage, and the means which raises the abovementioned exhaust gas temperature.

[0015]

Moreover, it is suitable for the ratio of the amount of the alkali metal contained in the above-mentioned NOx catalyst or alkaline earth metal and the oxide containing the thing concerning the combination of such arbitration, a carbonate or a nitrate, and the CO2 above-mentioned absorber that it is 1:4 or more. Thus, H2 and CO2 to cancel it can be supplied. [sufficient by adjusting quantitative balance with an NOx catalyst when the alkali in an NOx catalyst etc. receives S poisoning]

Furthermore, as for the above-mentioned NOx catalyst, it is desirable that a zeolite is included. From this, HC purification engine performance tends to improve in the low-temperature regions at the time of engine starting etc. (from a room temperature to 150 degrees C).

Furthermore, a lithium (Li) can be contained as the CO2 above-mentioned absorber, and barium (Ba) can be contained as an NOx catalyst again. These [Li and Ba] may be mixed and used.

[Example]

[0016]

Hereafter, although an example explains this invention to a detail further, this invention is not limited to these examples.

[0017]

(Example 1)

- H2 generation catalyst with CO2 absorber

The alumina was thrown in in the acetic-acid Ce solution, and it stirred at the room temperature for 1 hour. Subsequently, after drying at 120 degrees C one whole day and night, it calcinated at 600 degrees C for 1 hour, and Powder a was obtained (Ce support concentration of this powder a is 40% as CeO2). 2% of tetra-ammine Pt oxalate solution (pH=10.5) was sunk into Powder a. Subsequently, after drying at 120 degrees C one whole day and night, it calcinated at 400 degrees C for 1 hour, and Powder b was obtained (Pt support concentration of this powder b is 2.23%).

450g and alumina sol were fed to 22.5g, 900g of water was fed into the magnetic ball mill, preferential grinding of the SrO which are 427.5g and CO2 absorber about Powder b was carried out, and the catalyst slurry was obtained.

After having made the catalyst slurry adhere to the nature monolith support of a KODEE light (1.0L, 400 cels), removing the slurry of the surplus in a cel in airstream and drying at 130 degrees C, it calcinated at 400 degrees C for 1 hour, and the catalyst of coat layer 400 g/L was acquired (the amount of SrO2 in a catalyst is 200g/piece). [0018]

- NOx catalyst

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[Brief Description of the Drawings]

[0032]

[Drawing 1] It is the schematic diagram showing an example of an exhaust gas purification system.

Drawing 2] It is the schematic diagram showing other examples of an exhaust gas purification system.

[Drawing 3] It is the graph which shows the amount of H2 generation to CO2 concentration.

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EXAMPLE

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Hereafter, although an example explains this invention to a detail further, this invention is not limited to these examples.

[0017]

(Example 1)

- H2 generation catalyst with CO2 absorber

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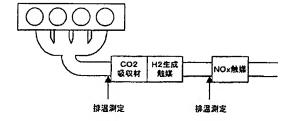
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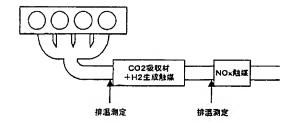
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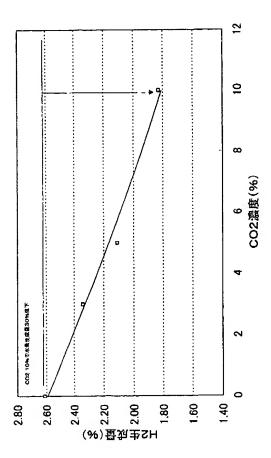
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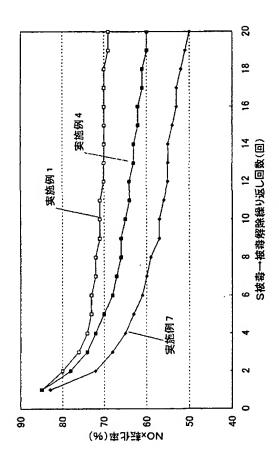
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[Drawing 3]



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(54) 【発明の名称】排気ガス浄化システム

(57)【要約】

【課題】250℃以下の低温域でも優れたNOx浄化能を有する排気ガス浄化システムを 提供すること。

【解決手段】内燃機関の排気ガス流路にCO₂吸収材、H₂生成触媒及びNOx触媒を配 設し、これらの温度を測定する手段と、還元成分増大手段と、排気ガス温度を髙める手段 と、を備え、H2生成触媒が水蒸気と一酸化炭素からガスシフト反応により水素を生成し 、NOx触媒が排気ガス中のNOxをリーン時に吸着しリッチ時に還元浄化する排気ガス 浄化システムである。排気ガス温度を高める手段により昇温された排気ガスが C O 2 吸収 材がCOっを放出する温度以上且つその温度よりも50℃高い温度未満である。NOx触 媒がPtやRhとCe酸化物とアルカリ金属類を含む酸化物など含み、300℃における 、該アルカリ金属類の酸化物とСО2との反応の生成自由エネルギーΔGが、H2生成触 媒に含まれるアルカリ金属類の酸化物の当該ΔGより小さいようにする。

【選択図】なし

【特許請求の範囲】

【請求項1】

酸素過剰雰囲気下で運転する内燃機関と、この内燃機関の排気ガス流路に配設するCO2吸収材、H2生成触媒及びNOx触媒と、これらCO2吸収材、H2生成触媒及びNOx触媒と、これらCO2吸収材、H2生成触媒及びNOx触媒の温度を測定する手段と、排気ガス中の還元成分濃度を間欠的に増大できる還元成分増大手段と、排気ガス温度を高める手段と、を備え、

上記 H₂ 生成触媒は、水蒸気と一酸化炭素からガスシフト反応により水素を生成し、上記 NOx 触媒は、該内燃機関から排出される排気ガス中のNOx をリーン時に吸着しリッチ時に還元浄化することを特徴とする排気ガス浄化システム。

【請求項2】

上記 H 2 生成触媒を上記 N O x 触媒より 3 0 ℃以上高い温度となるように配設し、上記 C O 2 吸収材を上記 H 2 生成触媒と同じ部位又は該 H 2 生成触媒より上流側に配設して成ることを特徴とする請求項 1 に記載の排気ガス浄化システム。

【請求項3】

上記CO₂ 吸収材を該H₂ 生成触媒と同じ部位に配設し且つ上流側ほど高濃度とすることを特徴とする請求項1又は2に記載の排気ガス浄化システム。

【請求項4】

上記内燃機関が自動車用エンジンであって、上記排気ガス温度を高める手段として一定 距離走行後にエンジン回転数を高めることを特徴とする請求項 1 ~ 3 のいずれか 1 つの項 に記載の排気ガス浄化システム。

【請求項5】

上記排気ガス温度を高める手段により昇温された排気ガスが、上記 CO2 吸収材から CO2 を放出させ得ることを特徴とする請求項 1~4のいずれか 1 つの項に記載の排気ガス浄化システム。

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【請求項7】

上記 CO_2 吸収材の温度を 700 C 以上 800 C 未満とし、 NO_x 触媒の温度を 600 C 以上 750 C 未満とすることを特徴とする請求項 $1\sim6$ のいずれか 1 つの項に記載の排気ガス浄化システム。

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上記 H_2 生成触媒が白金とセリウム酸化物を含み、上記 CO_2 吸収材がアルカリ金属及びアルカリ土類金属から成る群より選ばれた少なくとも1種の元素を含む酸化物、炭酸塩又は硝酸塩であることを特徴とする請求項 $1\sim8$ のいずれか1 つの項に記載の排気ガス浄化システム。

【請求項10】

上記アルカリ酸化物がジルコニウムとの複合酸化物であり、上記アルカリ炭酸塩がジルコニウムとの複合炭酸塩であることを特徴とする請求項 9 に記載の排気ガス浄化システム

【請求項11】

上記 CO₂ 吸収材が、更に白金を含むことを特徴とする請求項 9 又は 1 0 に記載の排気ガス浄化システム。

【請求項12】

上記 C O 2 吸収材が、 触媒 1 個あたり 2 O O g 以上含まれることを特徴とする請求項 1 ~ 1 1 のいずれか 1 つの項に記載の排気ガス浄化システム

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【請求項13】

上記 N O x 触媒が白金及び/又はロジウムと、セリウム酸化物と、アルカリ金属及びアルカリ土類金属から成る群より選ばれた少なくとも 1 種の元素を含む酸化物、炭酸塩又は硝酸塩と、を含んで成り、

300℃における、該アルカリ金属及び/又はアルカリ土類金属の酸化物と CO_2 との反応の生成自由エネルギー ΔG が、 H_2 生成触媒に含まれるアルカリ金属及び/又はアルカリ土類金属の酸化物の当該 ΔG より小さいことを特徴とする請求項 $1\sim 12$ のいずれか 1つの項に記載の排気ガス浄化システム。

【請求項14】

上記NOx 触媒に含まれるアルカリ金属及びアルカリ土類金属から成る群より選ばれた少なくとも1種の酸化物、炭酸塩又は硝酸塩と、CO2 吸収材との量の比が1:4以上であることを特徴とする請求項13に記載の排気ガス浄化システム。

【請求項15】

上記 N O x 触媒がゼオライトを含むことを特徴とする特徴とする請求項 1 ~ 1 4 のいずれか 1 つの項に記載の排気ガス浄化システム。

【請求項16】

上記 CO_2 吸収材がリチウムを含み、 NO_X 触媒がバリウムを含むことを特徴とする請求項 $1\sim1$ 5 のいずれか 1 つの項に記載の排気ガス浄化システム。

【発明の詳細な説明】

【技術分野】

[0001]

本発明は、排気ガス浄化システムに係り、更に詳細には、酸素過剰雰囲気下(リーン雰囲気下)で運転する内燃機関の排気ガスに含まれるNOxを低温域(200~250℃)で吸着・浄化し、高温域(600~650℃)でS被毒されたNOx触媒を再生する排気ガス浄化システムに関する。

【背景技術】

[0002]

従来からリーン域のNOxを浄化する触媒は種々提案されており、例えば白金(Pt)とランタン(La)を多孔質担体に担持した触媒に代表されるように、リーン域でNOxを吸着し、ストイキ~リッチ時にNOxを放出させ浄化する触媒が知られている(例えば特許文献1参照)。

【特許文献1】特開平5-168860号公報

【発明の開示】

【発明が解決しようとする課題】

[0003]

これまで、リーンバーンエンジンやディーゼルエンジンでは、NOx吸着触媒を使って、NOxの浄化を行ってきた。かかるNOx吸着触媒は、以下のイ~ハ

イ. NOxを吸着する機能

ロ. 吸着したNOxを脱離する機能

ハ. 脱離したNOxを浄化する機能

の機能を使用してNOxを浄化する。これらの機能のうち、低温域(250℃以下)では、NOxの脱離及び浄化が起こらないことがあった。

一方、このような低温域でNOxを十分に脱離、浄化する方法としては、水素の利用が有効である。具体的には、排気ガス中に存在するCOを使い、CO+H₂O→H₂+CO₂という反応を利用して、水素を生成できる。

しかし、近年では、低燃費化のためエンジンの燃焼効率が上がり、低排温化が進み、排気ガス中に CO₂ がより大量に含まれるため、反応が進みにくいという問題点があった。 【0004】

本発明は、このような従来技術の有する課題に鑑みてなされたものであり、その目的と するところは、250℃以下の低温域でも優れたNOx浄化能を有する排気ガス浄化シス ••

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テムを提供することにある。

【課題を解決するための手段】

[0005]

本発明者らは、上記課題を解決すべく鋭意検討を重ねた結果、H₂生成触媒とともにCO₂吸収材を配設することにより、上記課題が解決できることを見出し、本発明を完成するに至った。

【発明の効果】

[0006]

本発明によれば、 CO_2 吸収材を H_2 生成触媒に混在させたり近傍に配置することにより、低温域でも H_2 生成反応が進行するようになる。

また、この CO_2 吸収材は一度 CO_2 を吸収すると高温にしない限り CO_2 を放出しない。よって、高温にして CO_2 を放出させるが、このときに排気ガス中の硫黄で被毒された NO_X 触媒の再生も同時に行える。

更に、放出されたCO₂をNOx触媒中のNOx吸着成分の再炭酸化に使うことで、硫 黄被毒が容易且つより低温で解除される。これにより、耐熱性が向上し、使用貴金属量を 低減できる。

【発明を実施するための最良の形態】

[0007]

以下、本発明の排気ガス浄化システムについて詳細に説明する。なお、本明細書において、「%」は特記しない限り質量百分率を示す。

[0008]

本発明の排気ガス浄化システムは、酸素過剰雰囲気下で運転する内燃機関と、この内燃機関の排気ガス流路に配設する CO2 吸収材、H2 生成触媒及びNOx 触媒と、これら CO2 吸収材、H2 生成触媒及びNOx 触媒の温度を測定する手段と、排気ガス中の還元成分濃度を間欠的に増大できる還元成分増大手段と、排気ガス温度を高める手段と、を備えて成る。

このように CO_2 吸収材を配設することで、 250 ℃以下の低温域でも H_2 生成触媒から H_2 が NO_X 触媒に供給され、 NO_X の脱離・浄化反応が効果的に進行する。また、硫黄被毒解除の際に H_2 生成触媒からの H_2 と CO_2 吸収材からの CO_2 で NO_X 触媒を容易に再生できる。

[0009]

ここで、上記NOx触媒は、内燃機関より排出される排気ガス中のNOxを、リーン雰囲気で吸着し、間欠的にリッチ化することにより吸着NOxを浄化する。間欠的にリッチ化するには、例えば、エンジンの運転状態を変えることや、還元成分(H₂、CO及びHCなど)を直接供給することなどが考えられる。このため、還元成分増大手段及び排気ガス温度を高める手段を配設して間欠的にリッチ化する。なお、特に、エンジンの運転状態を変える方法が望ましく、余計な装置を必要とせずにコストを低減できる。

また、上記NOx触媒には、硫黄被毒(S被毒)を受けるという問題点もある。このS被毒は一時被毒であるため、髙温にすれば解除可能であるが、あまり髙温に曝すと耐久性が低下し易い。

上記NOx触媒としては、例えば、白金、ロジウムのいずれか一方又は双方と、セリウム酸化物と、アルカリ金属又はアルカリ土類金属、及びこれらの任意の組み合わせに係るものを含む酸化物、炭酸塩又は硝酸塩と、を含んで成るものを好適に使用できる。

また、該アルカリ金属やアルカリ土類金属は、250℃における、それらの酸化物とCO2との反応の生成自由エネルギーΔGが、H2生成触媒に含まれるアルカリ金属やアル

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[0011]

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また、上記内燃機関としては、例えば、リーンバーンエンジン及びディーゼルエンジンなどが挙げられる。特に、自動車用エンジンであるときは、上記排気ガス温度を高める手段により、一定距離走行後にエンジン回転数を高めて硫黄被毒解除を行うことができる。この場合は、運転性を損なわず効果的に排温を高められるので有効である。かかる硫黄被毒解除のタイミングは、触媒性能が規制値を超えない時点であれば良く、例えば、ガソリン中の硫黄濃度が50ppmである場合、1000kmに一回程度で足りる。エンジン回転数は昇温制御の入っていない時のエンジン回転数よりも200~800rpm程度増大させることが望ましい。なお、硫黄被毒解除を頻繁に行うと運転性を損なう恐れがある。

更に、上記内燃機関は、酸素過剰雰囲気下(リーン域)で通常運転されるものであり、この通常運転時の排気ガス温度は200℃~250℃である。この温度域ではNOxの吸着反応は進行するものの、吸着したNOxを脱離して浄化する反応がうまく進まない。

そこで、 H_2 生成触媒を配設するのが有効である。上記 H_2 生成触媒は、リッチ時の排気ガス中に含まれる H_2 Oと COからガスシフト反応により H_2 を生成し、吸着 NO x を 浄化する 還元材として 有効な H_2 を NO x 触媒へ供給し得る。

更にまた、最近の高効率エンジンは排温が低下する傾向にあるため、 CO_2 の影響はますます大きい。そこで、本発明では CO_2 吸収材を上記 H_2 生成触媒と併用することにより、 H_2 生成触媒が十分に水素を生成するのに必要な温度(300 C以上)が 280 C程度まで低下する。これより、 H_2 生成触媒は 280 C以上、 NO_X 触媒は 200 C~ 250 Cになるように配設できる。なお、 CO_2 吸収材を使用しないと、排気ガス中に含まれる約 $10\sim14$ % もの CO_2 により、ガスシフト反応がなかなか進まない。また、排気ガス中の CO_2 量が低減すると H_2 生成量が増大するデータを図 3 に示す。

[0012]

上記 H_2 生成触媒としては、例えば、白金(P_t)とセリウム酸化物を含むものが好適である。 H_2 生成するためには触媒表面上に H_2 Oの吸着を起こさねばならず、それには C_e O₂ が有効であり、また、 C_e Oとの反応には P_t が有効である。

また、上記 C O 2 吸収材としては、例えば、アルカリ金属又はアルカリ土類金属、及びこれらの任意の組み合わせに係るものを含む酸化物、炭酸塩又は硝酸塩を好適に使用できる。更に、上記アルカリ酸化物(該アルカリ金属やアルカリ土類金属の酸化物)やアルカリ炭酸塩が Z r との複合炭酸塩であることが好ましい。 Z r はアルカリの安定剤として機能する。

更に、 CO_2 吸収材は、更にPt を含むことが好ましい。Pt は CO_2 吸収材に付着し 40 た S を脱離させるので、 CO_2 吸収性能を長期にわたって発揮できる。

更にまた、 CO_2 吸収材は触媒 1 個あたり 2 O O g 以上含まれることが良い。長期にわたって CO_2 を吸収し続けるためには大量の CO_2 吸収材が必要となる。

[0013]

また、上記 H_2 生成触媒は、上記NOx 触媒より 30 ℃以上高い温度となるように配設できる。このとき、上記 CO_2 吸収材は H_2 生成触媒と同じ部位又は該 H_2 生成触媒より上流側に配設することが好ましい。これより、 H_2 生成が十分に起こり、それにより NO_2 × 浄化性能も向上する。また、耐久による劣化も抑制できる。例えば、図 1 及び図 2 に示すように配設できる。また、上記温度調節は、排気ガス流路の形状を適宜変更することや排気ガスの流速、滞留時間を制御して行っても良い。なお、反応効率を優先し、高温部に

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H₂生成触媒やNOx触媒を配置すると触媒の劣化が早く進行し、これを抑制するためには大量の貴金属を使わなければならず、資源面でもコストの面でも望ましくない。

更に、上記 CO_2 吸収材を該 H_2 生成触媒と同じ部位に配設するときは、上流側ほど該 CO_2 吸収材を高濃度とすることが好ましい。これより、 H_2 生成触媒前段で多くの CO_2 を吸収し、下流側の H_2 生成触媒の H_2 生成能が高まり、NO x 浄化性能が向上し易い

[0014]

上記排気ガス温度を高める手段は、昇温した排気ガスによりCO₂吸収材からCO₂を放出させ得る。即ち、高温の排気ガスによりCO₂吸収材及びΗ₂生成触媒が加熱され、Η₂生成と同時にCO₂が高温ガスとして放出されることにより、S被毒解除温度を低下できる。

例えば、 H_2 生成触媒のみではS 被毒除去には T_0 0 $\mathbb C$ まで加熱する必要があるが、本発明では C_0 2 吸収材を併用するため G_2 0 $\mathbb C$ に加熱すれば良い。このとき、昇温した排気ガスは、 C_0 2 吸収材が C_0 2 を放出する温度以上且つその温度よりも S_0 $\mathbb C$ 高い温度未満(S_0 S_0 S

また、 CO_2 吸収材からの CO_2 放出や NO_X 触媒のS 脱離を十分に行うためには、上記 CO_2 吸収材は $7OO_X$ 以上 $8OO_X$ 未満とし、 NO_X 触媒は $6OO_X$ 以上 $75O_X$ 未満とすることが好ましい。なお、排気ガス温度が高過ぎると触媒性能を低下させ易い。

更に、上記 CO₂ 吸収材としては、700 ℃以上で CO₂ を放出するものを使用することが好ましい。例えば Li₂ ZrO₃ などが挙げられる。

かかる排気ガス温度の制御は、各触媒入口や排気ガス流路上に設けた温度測定手段と、 上記排気ガス温度を高める手段を連動させて行うことができる。

[0015]

また、上記NOx触媒に含まれるアルカリ金属又はアルカリ土類金属、及びこれらの任意の組み合わせに係るものを含む酸化物、炭酸塩又は硝酸塩と、上記 CO_2 吸収材との量の比は、1:4 以上であることが好適である。このように、NOx 触媒との量的バランスを調整することで、NOx 触媒中のアルカリなどがS 被毒を受けたときに、それを解除するのに十分な H_2 及び CO_2 を供給できる。

更に、上記NOx触媒は、ゼオライトを含むことが好ましい。これより、エンジン始動 時等の低温域(室温から150℃)において、HC浄化性能が向上し易い。

更にまた、上記 CO₂ 吸収材としてリチウム(Li)を含有し且つNOx触媒としてバリウム(Ba)を含有することができる。これらLiとBaを混合して使用しても良い。 【実施例】

[0016]

以下、本発明を実施例により更に詳細に説明するが、本発明はこれら実施例に限定されるものではない。

[0017]

(実施例1)

· C O 2 吸収材付き H 2 生成触媒

アルミナを酢酸 C e 溶液の中に投入し、1 時間室温で攪拌した。次いで、1 2 0 ℃で一昼夜乾燥した後、6 0 0 ℃で 1 時間焼成し粉末 a を得た(この粉末 a の C e 担持濃度は C e O っとして 4 0 %)。

粉末 a に 2 %のテトラアンミン P t 水酸塩溶液(p H = 1 0 . 5)を含浸した。次いで、 1 2 0 ℃で一昼夜乾燥した後、 4 0 0 ℃で 1 時間焼成し粉末 b を得た(この粉末 b の P t 担持濃度は 2 . 2 3 %)。

粉末 b を 4 2 7. 5 g、 C O 2 吸収材である S r O を 4 5 0 g、 アルミナゾルを 2 2 . 5 g、 水 9 0 0 g を磁性ボールミルに投入し、混合粉砕して、 触媒スラリを得た。

触媒スラリをコーデェライト質モノリス担体(1.0L、400セル)に付着させ、空 気流にてセル内の余剰のスラリを取り除いて130℃で乾燥した後、400℃で1時間焼

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成し、コート層 4 0 0 g / L の触媒を得た(触媒中の S r O $_2$ の量は 2 0 0 g / 個である)。

[0018]

· N O x 触媒

酢酸 C e 水溶液と酢酸 B a 水溶液を混合し、攪拌した。次いで、アルミナを投入し、 I 時間室温で攪拌した。その後、 1 2 0 ℃で一昼夜乾燥した後、 6 0 0 ℃で 1 時間焼成し、粉末 A を得た(粉末 A の B a 担持濃度は B a O として 7 . 3 %、 C e 担持濃度は C e O 2 として 2 0 %)。

粉末Aに2%のテトラアンミンPt水酸塩溶液(pH=10.5)を含浸した。次いで、120℃で一昼夜乾燥した後、400℃で1時間焼成し粉末Bを得た(粉末BのPt担持濃度は1.04%)。

酢酸 Z r 水溶液中にアルミナを投入し、 1 時間室温で攪拌した。次いで、 1 2 0 ℃でー昼夜乾燥した後、 9 0 0 ℃で 1 時間焼成した。更に、 6 % の硝酸 R h 水溶液を含浸した後

1 2 0 ℃で一昼夜乾燥し、 4 0 0 ℃で 1 時間焼成し粉末 C を得た (粉末 C の R h 担持濃度は 2 . 4 %、 Z r の担持濃度は 3 %)。

粉末 A に 2 % のテトラアンミン P t 水酸塩溶液 (p H = 1 0 . 5) を含浸し、1 2 0 ℃ で一昼夜乾燥した後、4 0 0 ℃で 1 時間焼成し粉末 D を得た (粉末 D の P t 担持濃度は 3 4 1 %)。

酸化セリウムに 2 % のテトラアンミン P t 水酸塩溶液 (p H = 1 0 . 5) を含浸し、 1 20 2 0 ℃で一昼夜乾燥した後、 4 0 0 ℃で 1 時間焼成し粉末 E を得た (粉末 E の P t 担持濃度は 3 . 2 %) 。

ベータゼオライトを627.5g、粉末Eを92.6g、シリカゾルを179.9g、水900gを磁性ボールミルに投入し、混合粉砕して、第一触媒スラリを得た。また、粉末Bを767.8g、粉末Aを50.5g、酸化Ceを47.8g、アルミナゾル33.9g、水900gを磁性ボールミルに投入し、混合粉砕して、第二触媒スラリを得た。更に、粉末Cを272.0g、粉末Dを403.9g、粉末Aを84.8、酸化Ceを81.1g、アルミナゾルを58.1g、水900gを磁性ボールミルに投入し、混合粉砕して、第三触媒スラリを得た。

第一触媒スラリをコーデェライト質モノリス担体(1.2 L、400セル)に付着させ、空気流にてセル内の余剰のスラリを取り除いて130℃で乾燥した後、400℃で1時間焼成し、コート層172.1 g/Lの触媒Aを得た。この触媒Aに第二触媒スラリを付着させ、空気流にてセル内の余剰のスラリを取り除いて130℃で乾燥した後、400℃で1時間焼成し、コート層167.5 g/Lの触媒Bを得た。この触媒Bに第三触媒スラリを付着させ、空気流にてセル内の余剰のスラリを取り除いて130℃で乾燥した後、400℃で1時間焼成し、コート層97.6 g/Lの触媒Cを得た。

[0019]

<評価方法>

以下の試験(1)~(4)を順に行い、(3), (4)の評価は20回繰り返した。 (1)耐久試験

排気量 4 5 0 0 c c のエンジンの排気系に触媒を装着し、軽油(S = 1 0 p p m以下)を使用し、C O 2 吸収材付き H 2 生成触媒の入口温度を 7 5 0 ℃、N O x 触媒入口温度を 6 5 0 ℃とし、5 0 時間運転した。

(2)低温活性試験:室温~200℃

排気量2500ccのディーゼルエンジンの排気系に触媒を装着して、11モードを走り、排気浄化率を求めた。

(3) S被毒、S被毒解除処理

S 濃度 5 0 p p m の軽油を使用し、N O x 触媒入口温度を 2 5 0 $^{\circ}$ とし、 1 h r 運転を行った後、 S 脱離処理(S = 1 0 p p m 以下の軽油を使用し、C O 2 吸収材付き H 2 生成触媒の入口温度を 7 2 0 $^{\circ}$ 、N O x 触媒の入口温度を 6 5 0 $^{\circ}$ とし、3 0 分運転)を行っ

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(4) 高温活性試験:200℃~300℃

排気量 2500cc のディーゼルエンジンの排気系に触媒を装着して、リーン(A \angle F = 30) 40sec → リッチ(A \angle F = 11) 4sec の運転を行い、この区間における排気浄化率を求めた。

[0020]

(実施例2)

SrOの代わりにPt担持SrO(Pt担持濃度 2%)を CO_2 吸収材として使用した以外は、実施例 1 と同様の操作を繰り返して触媒を得た。また、同様の評価方法を行った

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[0021]

(実施例3)

S r O の代わりに L i 2 Z r O 3 を C O 2 吸収材として使用した以外は、実施例 1 と同様の操作を繰り返して触媒を得た。また、同様の評価方法を行った。

[0022]

(実施例4)

SrOの代わりに Al_2O_3 を CO_2 吸収材として使用した以外は、実施例 1 と同様の操作を繰り返して触媒を得た。また、同様の評価方法を行った。

[0023]

(実施例5)

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SrOを150g/個とした以外は、実施例1と同様の操作を繰り返して触媒を得た。 また、同様の評価方法を行った。

[0024]

(実施例6)

SrOの代わりに Na_2O を CO_2 吸収材として使用した以外は、実施例 I と同様の操作を繰り返して触媒を得た。また、同様の評価方法を行った。

[0025]

(実施例7)

実施例1と同様の操作を繰り返して触媒を得た。また、評価方法については、評価試験(3),(4)を繰り返し2回行って、評価試験(3)(S脱離処理)を1回行った(S被毒解除の間隔を2倍にした)以外は、実施例1と同様に行った。

[0026]

(実施例8)

実施例 1 と同様の操作を繰り返して触媒を得た。また、評価方法については、評価試験(3)の S 脱離処理時の温度を C O 2 吸収材付き H 2 生成触媒の入口温度を 6 5 0 ℃、 N O x 触媒入口温度を 6 0 0 ℃とした(C O 2 吸収材から C O 2 が放出されないようにした)以外は、実施例 1 と同様に行った。

[0027]

(実施例9)

実施例 1 と同様の操作を繰り返して触媒を得た。また、評価方法については、評価試験 40 (3) の S 脱離処理時の温度を C O 2 吸収材付き H 2 生成触媒の入口温度を 7 2 0 ℃、 N O x 触媒の入口温度を 5 8 0 ℃とした以外、実施例 1 と同様に行った。

[0028]

(実施例10)

実施例1と同様の操作を繰り返して触媒を得た。また、評価方法については、評価試験(3)のS脱離処理時の温度をCO2吸収材付きH2生成触媒の入口温度を870℃、NOx触媒の入口温度を650℃とした以外、実施例1と同様に行った。

[0029]

(比較例1)

第一触媒層を無くした以外、実施例1と同様の操作を繰り返して触媒を得た。また、同 50

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様の評価方法を行った。 【0030】 【表1】

	11モードー	(3)の処理1	(3)の処理20
	HC転化率	回後のNOx	回後のNOx
	(%)	転化率(%)	転化率(%)
実施例1	82	85	69
実施例2	80	88	75
実施例3	81	87	78
実施例4	81	83	50
実施例5	82	83	60
実施例6	81	85	52
実施例7	82	85	60
実施例8	81	80	55
実施例9	81	80	43
実施例10	82	85	62
比較例1	47	83	67

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[0031]

表 1 に示すように、本願発明に属する実施例 $1\sim1$ 0 で得られた触媒は、 H C 及び N O x の転化率が両立されている。特に、実施例 $1\sim3$ の触媒は、 耐久後の N O x 転化率が優れることがわかる。一方、比較例 1 で得られた触媒は、第一触媒層を用いていない(ゼオライト層がないため H C 吸着機能がない。よってコールド H C 性能が悪化する。)ため、 H C 転化率が低いことがわかる。

また、図3のグラフより、実施例1と実施例4、7を比較すると、 CO_2 吸収材にアルカリ金属が含まれない場合やS 被毒解除のタイミングが遅れている場合は、 NO_X 触媒の耐久性が低下することがわかる。

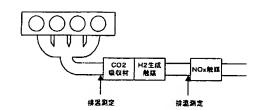
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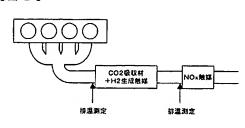
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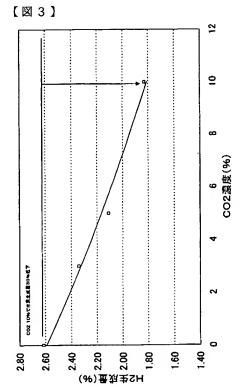
- 【図1】排気ガス浄化システムの一例を示す概略図である。
- 【図2】排気ガス浄化システムの他の例を示す概略図である。
- 【図3】СО2濃度に対するН2生成量を示すグラフである。
- 【図4】 S被毒解除の回数とNOx転化率との関係を示すグラフである。

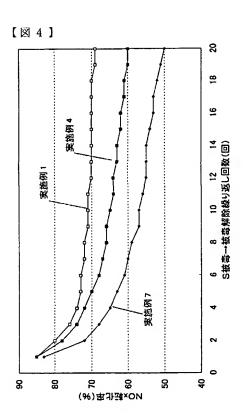




【図2】







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